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COMMISSION SPONSORS OPEN HOUSE ON DRAFT HOUSING IDEAS (Open House Includes Survey)

(Edmonds - WA) A new online open house and survey from the Housing Commission is ready for the public to view and give feedback at: www.echcopenhouse.com. Survey responses are due by January 8.

The Edmonds Housing Commission was tasked by the City Council to develop policy options for Council consideration that would expand the range of housing available in Edmonds. The due date was originally December 31, 2020, but was pushed out one month to become January 31, 2021.

Housing Commission members are all residents of Edmonds, appointed by City Council members in 2019. The Commission was intended to be temporary and sunsets on February 1, 2021. For more information on the Commission's work, see <https://www.citizenshousingcommission.org/>.

Draft policy ideas include options for detached accessory dwellings, townhomes, duplexes, cottage housing, and regional partnerships. The Commission will decide by late January which of these ideas, along with any new ones, to recommend to the City Council. The policy options are advisory, not final.

Later in 2021, the City Council will review the Housing Commission's recommendations, get more public input, and decide next steps.

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